

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

PROCLAMATION NO. 11 KBB 2005

SPECIAL ELECTION INCORPORATION OF CENTRAL, PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

WHEREAS, pursuant to R.S. 33:1, *et seq.*, the residents of any unincorporated area in the

state of Louisiana which has a population in excess of two hundred (200)

inhabitants may propose the incorporation of the area;

WHEREAS, a petition proposing the incorporation of an unincorporated area in the parish of

East Baton Rouge and designating the corporate name of the area as the city of Central (hereafter "petition") has been filed with the registrar of voters for the

parish of East Baton Rouge;

WHEREAS, the petition states that the population of the unincorporated area is twenty-six

thousand six hundred (26,600) and it contains the signatures of at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the electors residing in the area proposed for

incorporation;

WHEREAS, the petition contains the legal description of the area proposed for incorporation,

the statement that all the lands included in the area constitute a contiguous area,

and all other information required by R.S. 33:1(A);

WHEREAS, the registrar of voters for the parish of East Baton Rouge certified that twenty-

five percent (25%) or more of the electors residing in the area proposed for

incorporation signed the petition for incorporation as required by R.S. 33:2;

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the governor and the attorney general of the state of

Louisiana (*see* Attorney General Opinion No. 2005-0120, issued on March 8, 2005, that the petition proposing the incorporation of Central as a municipality

of the parish of East Baton Rouge is in compliance with the provisions of R.S.

33:1, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, upon finding that the petition is in full statutory compliance with R.S. 33:1, *et*

seq., R.S. 33:3 directs the governor to call a special election to be held on the

next possible date for special elections specified in R.S. 18:402;

NOW THEREFORE I, KATHLEEN BABINEAUX BLANCO, Governor of the state of Louisiana,

by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the state of

Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

SECTION 1: On Saturday, April 23, 2005, a special election shall be held in the

unincorporated area of the parish of East Baton Rouge, state of Louisiana, described below for the purpose of determining whether said unincorporated

area shall become a municipality:

Commence at a point on the eastern bank of the Comite River at its intersection with the southerly boundary of Louisiana Highway 64, and proceed in an easterly direction along the northern boundary of Louisiana Highway 64 to a point one thousand (1,000) feet east of Deer Creek Drive; thence proceed in a northerly direction one thousand (1,000) feet along a line parallel to Deer Creek Drive; thence proceed in an easterly direction along a line one thousand (1,000) feet north of and parallel to the northern boundary of Louisiana Highway 64 to its intersection with the western boundary of Louisiana Highway 409 (Liberty Road); thence proceed in a southerly direction along the western boundary of

Louisiana Highway 409 (Liberty Road) to its intersection with Louisiana Highway 37 (Greenwell Springs Road); thence proceed along Louisiana Highway 37 to its intersection with the western bank of the body of water known as Sandy Creek; thence proceed in a southerly direction to its intersection with the western bank of the Amite River; thence proceed in a southerly direction along the western bank of Sandy Creek to its intersection with the Amite River; thence proceed along the western bank of the Amite River to its intersection with the eastern bank of the Comite River; thence proceed in a northerly direction along the eastern bank of the Comite River to the point of beginning.

SECTION 2:

All qualified electors residing within the area proposed for incorporation shall be entitled to vote in the special election described in Section 1, and the election shall be held in accordance with the procedures specified in R.S. 18:1300.

SECTION 3:

The board of supervisors of elections of the parish of East Baton Rouge, and all other persons charged with any power, function, right, duty or responsibility in conducting elections in the jurisdiction of the unincorporated area of Central, parish of East Baton Rouge, described in Section 1, are hereby authorized, requested, directed and empowered to exercise every lawful function and to do every act necessary to conduct said special elections, to cause the returns thereof to be made, to canvass and promulgate the results thereof, and to perform all related and incidental functions thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the city of Baton Rouge, on this 8th day of March, 2005.

/S/ Kathleen Babineaux Blanco GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY THE GOVERNOR

/S/ Fox W. McKeithen SECRETARY OF STATE